thick cloud of smoke are emitted together with high noise levels. The Uttar Pradesh State Pollution Control Board has ordered an investigation into these pollation associated health problems in Moradabad. The report of the investigation is awaited.

Survey for Railway Line from Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli Vaijnath

*426. DR. BAPU KALDATE : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether survey for new line from Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli Vaijnath has been completed and a survey report has been submitted to Government; and

(b) if so, what is the decision, if any, taken by Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A survey was carried out in 1990 for construction of a new rail line between Ahmednagar-Beed-Parli Vaijnath (275 kms.). The results of the survey indicated that the cost of the suggested line will be about Rs. 197 crores with a Rate of Return of less than 1%.

Due to the unremunerative nature of the project and the constraint of resources for new line works, the work could not be considered for being taken up.

However, due to persistent demand, the survey is again being updated and report is expected by 31.12.94. Further consideration of the project will be posible only after the survey report is received.

गुजरात में रेलवे स्टेशनों का विद्युतीकरण

*427. श्रीमती उर्मिला चिमनभाई पटेल: क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गुजरात स्थित उन रेलवे स्टेशनों का ब्यौरा क्या है जहां वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान और 30 जून, 1994 तक विद्युतीकरण का कार्य चल रहा था;

(ख) उक्त अवधि के दौरान इस कार्य पर व्यय की गई धनराशि का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इस कार्य के कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है?

रेल मंत्री (श्री सी॰ के॰ जाफर शरीफ़):

(क) (i) वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान गुजरात में विद्युतीकृत रेलवे स्टेशनों के नाम इस प्रकार है:-

1. विरोचन नगर	2. धर्मदा
3. मीठा	4. भुटकिया भीमासर
5. पिपराला	6. कंकोट
7. कैयल सेढ़ावी	8. रामपरडा
9. चंदरवा	10. रायका
11. आदितपरा	12. विजपड़ी

(ii) 30 जून, 1994 को निम्नलिखित स्टेशनों के विद्युतीकरण का कार्य प्रगति पर है:-

1. जलिया	2. बरवाला रोड़
3. पदगाम गणेश	4. पिपली
5. लरखादा	

(ख) वर्ष 1993-94 के दौरान 9.98 लाख रुपए खर्च किए गए हैं तथा 1994-95 के दौरान 4.47 लाख रुपए खर्च किए जाने की संभावना है।

(ग) इस कार्य के 31 मार्च, 1995 तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है।

Steps to Prevent spread of Cholera

*428. SHRI VIRENDRA KATARIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the incidence of cholera disease has been reported from all zones of Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that this endemic disease is due to population pressure, unsatisfactory sanitary conditions and unsafe drinking water in the slum areas;

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take to educate the people about the causes leading to this disease; and

(d) the preventive measures, Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) A comprehensive action plan has been finalised by the Government of

National Capital Territory of Delhi relating to prevention and control of diarrohoeal diseases including cholera in Delhi, as follow:—

1. Surveillance and monitoring.
2. Supply of safe drinking water.
3. Safe disposal of human excreta, garbage, refuse etc.
4. Promotion of Oral Rehydration Therapy.
5. Strengthening of Health Education measures.

Financial Assistance to Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Wardha

*429. SHRI V. RAJESHWAR RAO:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what amount of financial assistance was given to the Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Savagram, Wardha in Maharashtra for the year ended 31st March, 1994;

(b) whether Government have studied the cost benefit of such grants; and

(c) whether Government intend to review the grants?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) (a) A sum of Rs. 250.00 lakhs was released as grant-in-aid to Kasturba Health Society as financial assistance.

(b) and (c) The Government asked Medical Council of India to submit a report on the cost benefit analysis. The question of review of the grants can be considered only after the report of the study is available.

Pending Cases of Freedom Fighters Pension from Gujarat

*430. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the numbr of applications pertaining to freedom fighters' pension duly certified by Gujarat Government pending for Central Government's approval;

(b) what are the district-wise details thereof;

(c) what is the number of applicants belonging to Gujarat, who have not got pension despite the fact that Central Government have sent information regarding approval of their pension;

(d) what is the number of applications of widows of late Freedom Fighter Pensioners, which have been pending with Central Government despite the approval of Gujarat Government; and

(e) what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) to (e). All claims for grant of freedom fighters' pension received through the State Government of Gujarat have already been examined at least once; and decisions communicated to the applicants and the State Government. At present, no claim is pending.

No case in which pension has been sanctioned by the Central Government but payment is not being made has been reported to the Government.

The procedure relating to transfer of pension in the name of eligible dependents of deceased Freedom Fighter Pensioners i.e. spouse, unmarried/unemployed daughters, mother and father, has been simplified, and the disbusing authorities have been authorised to effect such transfer at their level w.e.f. 1-51992. As such, the eligible dependents of late Freedom Fighter Pensioners need not approach the Central Government for grant of family pension. However, no such application received through the Government of Gujarat, is at present pending with the Central Government.

Modalities for Construction of Roads to Link Metropolitan Cities

*431. SHRI SATISH AGARWAL:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised the proposed mega project of construction of 10,000